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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Col. Julian S. Carr delivered an address at the colored A. and M. College, Greensboro, N. C. —— The commissioners representing Great Britain, the United States and Germany, appointed to settle the Samoan trouble, arrived at Apia May 13. —— Two lives lost in a lodging house fire in New York city. —— The Filipino peace commissioners left Manila; but are expected to return soon; in the fighting at San Fernando Wednesday fifty Filipinos were killed and many wounded; American loss, two killed and twelve wounded. —— The cruiser Prairie, with the North Carolina naval reserves, entered Chesapeake bay for practice with sub-calibre guns. —— The Inter-State Commerce Commission began hearing complaints of the Hilton Lumber Company of alleged discrimination in lumber rates from Wilmington to Northern points; hearing in the case of the Wilmington Tariff Association was concluded and June 10th set for oral arguments. —— A negro who attempted to assault a white woman at High Shoals, Ga., Sunday night, was tried yesterday and sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment. —— Ex-Governor Harrison Reed, of Florida, died yesterday at Jacksonville, aged 86 years. —— N. Y. markets: Money on call steady at 2½@3 per cent., the last loan being at 2½ per cent.; cotton steady, middling uplands 6¼c; flour was more strongly held and fairly active; wheat—spot steady, No. 2 red 81½c; corn—spot steady, No. 2 40¾@41½c; oats—spot quiet, No. 3, 32c; rosin steady; strained common to good $1.40; spirits turpentine steady at 41@41½c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., May 25.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 58 degrees; 8 P. M., 64 degrees; maximum, 66 degrees; minimum, 70 degrees; mean, 50 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, 0; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 4.09.

Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., 6 feet.

COTTON REGION BULLETIN.

Decidedly colder weather prevailed during the past 24 hours over the interior districts east of the Mississippi, with moderate showers. It was slightly warmer yesterday in the Little Rock and Memphis districts.

Minimum temperatures reported: Greensboro, 45; Raleigh, Weldon, Goldsboro, Charlotte, 46; Florence, 48; Cheraw, Lumberton, 49; Wilmington, 50 degrees.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—For North Carolina: Fair and warmer Friday and Saturday, fresh south to southeast winds.

Port Almanac---May 26.

Sun Rises	4.49 A. M.
Sun Sets	7.04 P. M.
Day's Length	14 H. 15 M.
High Water at Southport	1.18 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington	11.48 A. M.

That Kansas girl who married a 256 pound fellow assumed a weighty responsibility.

Funston showed his pluck early. When a little boy he tackled the *Congressional Record*.

A Western trust has cornered on corn-shellers and raised the price, and now the rural denizen who hasn't a supply of corn-shellers must shell out.

It is said that ex-Senator Peffer is now getting ten dollars a week for editing a paper in Kansas. And he works harder for it than he did for his $100 a week salary as Senator.

The fame of being the discoverer of that goat juice rejuvenator which those Chicago chaps are exploiting belongs to a Missouri doctor, who domiciles in Green City. Suggestive name.

The adoption of safety couplers by railroads in this country has resulted in such a saving of life and limb that a bill has passed the British House of Commons requiring their use on British railways.

Kent county, Maryland, boasts the giant peach tree of this country. The trunk is 22 inches in diameter, several of the limbs being 7 to 10 inches in diameter. The tree is twenty-five years old and in full bearing.

Dr. Wiley, chemist of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, says only 30 per cent. of the beer made in this country is brewed from malt and hops, the rest being from other stuffs. He's a lucky beer drinker who knows what he is drinking.

That big sixteen-incher which is to be mounted at Sandy Hook, N. Y., is 150 feet long and weighs 125 tons. It delivers a 2,400 projectile propelled at a velocity of 2,200 feet per second. It will be rough on the thing it hits, as it strikes with a ramming energy of 84,000 tons.

LOCAL DOTS.

— License was issued yesterday for the marriage of Miss Minnie Bland to Mr. Jessie Farrow; both of Wilmington.

— Yesterday the convict street force, in charge of special officer Williamson, was engaged in trimming the trees along the sidewalks on Princess street.

— Things were very quiet in police and magisterial circles yesterday. There was not a case before any of the various magistrates during the day and no municipal court yesterday morning.

— Commander James I. Metts has called a meeting of Cape Fear Camp No. 254, U. C. V., to be held at the W. L. I. armory Monday night at 8 o'clock, for the consideration of important matters.

— The "City Union of King's Daughters and Sons" will hold its annual meeting in the Anniversary Hall of the First Presbyterian Church, Saturday, May 27th, at 5 P. M. All members of the order are urgently requested to attend.

— The negro Robert Haywood, who was suffering with delirium tremens and applied at the City Hall for protection against his imaginary foes, was released yesterday morning. He would not, however, relinquish the idea that there was a mob on the streets seeking his life.

— Much complaint is being made by numerous citizens about vicious dogs running at large on the streets, oftimes in droves, to the peril and discomfort of pedestrians. Mr. A. L. Davis reports that quite recently he was attacked by several dogs on a principal street and was bitten by one of them.

— Parties in the city from the trucking belt yesterday say the strawberry acreage next year will be materially decreased. Many of the farmers have ploughed up their strawberry vines and will try for a more profitable crop of some other article of truck. The shipments of huckleberries are beginning in earnest and good prices are being realized.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

Opera House—Passion Play.
Government—Proposals wanted.
Notice—The strawberry business.
Opera House—Dark Town Minstrels.
Masonic—Meeting St. John's Lodge.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— O. A. Betts, of Raleigh, was here yesterday.

— Mr. O. A. Betts, of Raleigh, is a visitor in the city.

— Mr. A. S. Slocumb, of Fayetteville, is registered at The Orton.

— Mr. J. F. Johnson, of Burgaw, was here yesterday on business.

—Mr. J. A. Brown, of Chadbourn, was in the city on business yesterday.

— Mr. M. W. Person, of Bennettsville, S. C., was here on business yesterday.

—J. A. McNeill, of Shallotte, is among the wholesale purchasers in the city.

— H. C. Bridgers, of Bladenboro, was making business calls in the city yesterday.

— Many friends of Mr. J. C. Shepard were glad to see him out yesterday after a week's illness.

— Mr. G. W. Taylor, a leading merchant of Jacksonville, was registered at The Orton yesterday.

— Misses Bessie Hankins and Lillie Keathly returned last night from Greensboro, where they attended the State Normal and Industrial College.

— Mr. R. J. Lewis, the well known hotel steward and caterer, has accepted a position with the Oceanic Hotel at Carolina Beach, and will go down Monday to enter upon his duties.

— Col. K. M. Murchison, who with Mrs. Murchison and daughter Miss Marie, sailed from New York on the steamship *St. Paul*, on the 17th, yesterday cabled their safe arrival at Southampton.

— Miss Lydia Yates, Mrs. M. L. Stover and Mrs. M. G. Sanders, alumni of the State Normal School at Greensboro, returned last night from attendance upon the commencement exercises of this popular college.

THE ORTON NEWS STAND.

Will be Opened by Mr. Gerken Next Saturday Morning.

Mr. H. J. Gerken told a STAR reporter yesterday that he expects to open his cigar and news stand in the lobby of The Orton next Saturday. The stand will be situated on the left side of the lobby as you enter the hotel and will be stocked with a complete supply of newspapers and periodicals including copies of the MORNING STAR. Of course the stock of cigars, smoking, tobacco etc will be complete in every detail, conducting on Front street, as Mr. Gerken does, the most complete smoking emporium to be found anywhere in the State.

Tickets for Wrightsville Beach and Carolina Beach will be sold at the news stand for the convenience of the public. Mr. Lewis Rowell will be in charge of the stand.

On account of the convention of King's Daughters, Southern Pines, N. C., June 1st to 3d, the Seaboard Air Line offers round trip tickets to Southern Pines at $6.55 for the round trip; tickets on sale May 30th, 31st, and June 1st, with final limit for return June 3d, 1899.

A LARGE AUDIENCE WITNESSED PASSION PLAY.

The General Verdict That the Attraction is a Very Good One—A Matinee To-morrow.

A very large audience assembled at the Opera House last night to witness the presentation of the world famous "Passion Play," by means of the Edison cineomatograph, with an explanatory lectute by Prof. Whitworth. And every one seemed to thoroughly enjoy the entertainment.

Prof. Whitworth prefaced the presentation of the pictures with a brief explanatory reference to the origin of the "Passion Play," and then just before and during each of the series of pictures he would tell pointedly the story of the various Biblical scenes. Probably the most beautiful scene presented was the temptation of Christ on the mountain top by Satan. And second to this was probably the "ascension of Christ."

For terrible sublimity the scene of the crucifixion, showing the nailing of Christ upon the cross, the cruel dropping of the cross into the hole dug for its erection, the death agony, followed by the darkening of the sun, the earthquake and electric storm, was without a parallel in the whole series.

It will be of interest to note that Prof. Whiteworth, in the course of his lecture on the scenes presented and the origin of the wonderful "Passion Play," explained that while the miracle or passion plays which took their rise in the church representations of the early Christian era, were in vogue in Europe in the thirteenth century, they had gradually fallen in desuetude. This was the case at Ober-Ammergau, where one of the earliest of these spectacles was produced.

Nearly 300 years ago a terrible pestilence devastated Europe and was particularly fatal to the inhabitants of the little village, so much so that the peasants believing that the cessation of the spectacle was in some measure responsible for this visitation, took a solemn oath to continue the celebration by commemorating the death and passion of the Lord once every ten years with a dramatic spectacle, taken part in by the entire village. Such is the origin of the "Passion Play," the last presentation of which was given at Ober-Ammergau in 1890.

At the conclusion of the performance last night the announcement was made that the play will be presented again to-night, and a matinee will be given to-morrow. The prices for the performance to-night will be 25, 35 and 50 cents.

BASE BALL GAME TO-MORROW

O. A. N. and A. C. L. Teams Will Cross Bats at Hilton Park at Half-Past Three O'clock.

The second base ball game of the season will be played on the Hilton Park diamond to-morrow afternoon at 3.30 o'clock, between the two ever popular teams, O. A. N. and A. C. L. The boys are determined to give a real live game, and are anxious that a big crowd turn out to witness the contest. It will be remembered that the game played by these two teams last Friday afternoon resulted in a victory for the A. C. L. team by a good close score of 3 to 1. Since that time two strong players have been added to the O. A. N. team and they are making all sorts of boasts that they will redeem themselves by a good safe score to-morrow.

The teams are practicing faithfully and will no doubt make it real interesting for lovers of the sport who patronize them to-morrow.

FIFTH WARD BAND EXCURSION.

About 175 People Went to Carolina Beach On the Wilmington.

The *Wilmington* carried about 175 people to Carolina beach on the excursion by the Fifth Ward Band. The boat left the Market street wharf for the pier at 7:30 o'clock and arrived here on the return trip at about 12:30 o'clock this morning. The band furnished good music on the boat during the trip down the river and when the excursionists reached the Beach dancing began on the public pavilion and was continued throughout the evening.

The band netted a very satisfactory profit from the excursion.

The Dark Town Minstrels.

Mr. John W. Bloome announces that on next Monday night his "Famous Dark Town Minstrels" will appear at the Opera House in a georgeous production of negro minstrelsy. He says this will positively be the last time this attraction will be seen here, as they go on the road next season for a tour of the South and West. The programme Monday night will comprise many of the latest and most up-to-date songs, jokes and dances. There will be a scientific boxing match between Pat Waddell and Willie Mitchell. The show will conclude with a grand cake-walk.

Popular prices, 10, 20 and 30 cents, will prevail. Seats are on sale at Gerken's.

At The Y. M. C. A.

To-morrow afternoon at 5 o'clock Misses Annie Ulrich and Fannie Corbett will give a free exhibition in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium, demonstrating the Fletcher Musical Kindergarten System, so successfully taught by them. All who are interested in the advancement of music are cordially invited to attend.

THE SACRED CONCERT FIFTH STREET CHURCH.

Excellent Programme for To-night—Concluding Feature Mozart's "Gloria" by Full Chorus and Orchestra.

The sacred concert in the Fifth Street M. E. Church to night will doubtless attract a large audience. The rehearsals have been highly satisfactory, and there is every assurance that the concert will be one of the most successful and thoroughly enjoyable ever held in the city, both from musical and financial view points. The proceeds, it will be remembered, will be devoted to the liquidation of the church debt.

The STAR several days ago published the names of the participants, comprising more than a half hundred of the very best musicians, vocal and instrumental that the city affords. Notable features of the programme will be trios, anthems, quartettes and solos by such vocalists as Mrs. W. L. Latta, Miss Ada Cooper, Mrs. J. D. Smith, Mrs. F. A. Muse, Mrs. John Frank, Mr. C. H. Cooper, Mr. A. S. Holden, Mr. C. H. Robinson, Jr., Mr. H. K. Holden, Mr. R. C. Banks and others of equally well established reputation as vocalists. There will also be an organ solo, march and chorus, from "Tannhauser," by Miss Elizabeth D. Burtt. The closing feature of the concert will be the rendition of Mozart's "Gloria," from the "Twelfth Mass," by a full chorus and orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Charles McMillen.

The exercises will begin promptly at 8.30 o'clock.

WILL INVESTIGATE MURDER.

Coroner's Jury Will Inquire This Morning Into Circumstances of the Killing of the Old Soldier Hughes.

This morning at 11 o'clock, in the grand jury room at the court house, Coroner Price will empanel a jury to investigate the circumstances of the killing of the old soldier Hughes, whose death at the City Hospital as a result of wounds received from unknown parties, was noted in yesterday's STAR.

Soon after the murderous assault upon the inoffensive old man was discovered Constable Sheehan and Deputy Sheriffs Flynn and Terry went to work on the case, and as a result three negroes—Jim Veney, Son Jones and Jno. H. Hill—are now in jail charged with implication in the shocking crime which sent the old man to his grave.

These gentlemen have been very cautious in making the arrests and are very reticent in the matter of disclosing just how much evidence they have procured against the negroes.

The negroes will be given an opportunity this morning of coming before the Coroner's jury and making a statement, and it is thought that evidence will develop that will fix conclusively the crime on the guilty party or parties.

Besides these, it is said that other witnesses have been summoned, who will shed some light on the murder.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—8 casks spirits turpentine, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

W., C. & A. Railroad—50 casks spirits turpentine, 128 barrels rosin, 47 barrels tar, 18 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—4 casks spirits turpentine, 2 barrels rosin, 10 barrels tar.

C. C. Railroad—35 casks spirits turpentine, 125 barrels rosin, 21 barrels tar, 9 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer Driver—9 casks spirits turpentine, 121 barrels rosin, 26 barrels tar, 14 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer W. T. Daggett—13 casks spirits turpentine, 67 barrels rosin, 1 barrel tar, 32 barrels crude turpentine.

Schooner Maggie—8 bales cotton, 115 barrels rosin.

C. Larkin's flat—6 casks spirits turpentine, 28 barrels rosin, 12 barrels tar.

Total—Cotton, 8 bales; spirits turpentine, 125 casks; rosin, 586 barrels; tar, 117 barrels; crude turpentine, 75 barrels.

Bold Sneak Thief.

A sneak thief went into the front hall at the residence of Mr. J. A. White, No. 206 North Sixth street, yesterday about 11 o'clock. He stole an umbrella from the rack and was slipping away with it when discovered by Mrs. White, who ran after him for about a half square. The fellow dropped the umbrella in his eagerness to make his escape. Mrs. White says the thief was a full grown negro man and that she could easily identify him. The matter has been reported to the police.

Grace Epworth League.

As announced, the regular meeting of Grace Epworth League was held in the lecture room of Grace Methodist Church last night, the president, Mr. Jno. Frank, presiding. The most pleasing feature of the evening's meeting was the reading of an interesting paper, "Way Down South In Dixie," one of the graduating essays at the State Normal and Industrial College, by Miss Mamie Alderman.

To City Subscribers.

City subscribers are earnestly requested to report promptly at the STAR office every failure of the carriers to deliver their papers. In all such cases teps will be taken to insure promp and regular delivery.

NEWS FROM RALEIGH.

Jim-Crow Cars Running On Local Trains of the Southern Railroad.

CORPORATION COMMISSION.

Commencement at Peace Institute—Wake Forest College—State Guard—Reward for Arrest of a Murderer. The Federal Court.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., May 25.

The annual commencement concert was given at Peace Institute to-night. To morrow the literary address will be delivered by Col. Julian S. Carr, and the graduating exercises will be held.

Wake Forest College trustees are discussing the advisability of reducing the tuition fee from $30 a term to $10. In case this is done, all students, ministers as well as others, will be required to pay. Such a system will, it is said, bring into the college as much revenue as it gets now from tuition fees.

A reward of $200 is offered by the State for the arrest of Ed Lowery, who killed Tucker Dial, in Burnt Swamp township, Robeson county, on May 5.

All the companies of the recently mustered out First North Carolina regiment are reorganizing for the purpose of forming the First regiment North Carolina State Guard. It is expected that within the next two weeks the reorganization will be completed. Col. Armfield will command the regiment.

Cold Weather Hurts Cotton.

The cold weather is beginning to hurt cotton, and unless it becomes warmer soon great damage will be done.

The sale of fertilizer tax tags shows a falling off this season of 10 per cent. This is due partially to the backward season, but principally to decrease of cotton acreage.

Jeff. Lee and Jennie Lee, of Wilson, filed a voluntary petition of bankruptcy under the new bankruptcy law.

Major Davis, the United States army officer here, expects to be relieved from duty here on June 1 and sent to Porto Rico. Lieut. Douglas Settle will take his place as recruiting officer.

On the Federal Court docket there are many trivial cases that Judge Purnell says the commissioners ought never to have sent up. The grand jury is finding true bills in only about three cases out of ten It is evident that somebody has been too diligent after fees.

Penitentiary Directors.

The penitentiary directors have decided to buy the shirt factory established a year ago at the penitentiary by a New York man. The price to be paid is $5,000. The machinery is inventoried at $4,800. The contract for labor made by the Fusion directors with the owner of this factory was a ruinous one to the penitentiary and had two more years to run. To break it meant a $30,000 damage suit in the Federal Court, so the directors bought it. They believe it can be run profitably.

Jim-Crow cars are already being run on the local trains of the Southern Railway. The law does not go into effect, though, until June 1st.

The Corporation Commission was in session all day yesterday and again today, but nothing of a public nature was done. The commissioners are preparing for the annual assessment of railroad property for taxation. This assessment will be made in June.

Prisoners Escape.

Two Federal convicts—McLaughlin, from Georgia, and Allen, from Alabama—escaped yesterday. They were working at the brick yard. Allen was afterwards caught with bloodhounds, but McLaughlin is still at large. They were in for four years each.

Governor and Mrs. Russell left this morning for Wilmington.

State Treasurer Worth has sent out to the sheriffs a circular letter, calling attention to the fact that Section 62, Revenue Act of 1899, levies a 2 per cent. tax on the gross receipts of all express, telegraph and telephone companies or lines doing business in this State.

— The regular, *bona fide* circulation of THE MORNING STAR is much larger than that of any other daily newspaper published in Wilmington.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

The Strawberry Business.

Editor MORNING STAR,
Wilmington, N. C.:

DEAR SIR—I trust you will grant me space in your columns to state some facts in regard to the Strawberry business, and also to make a suggestion for the consideration of the berry growers. My experience has been short but convincing, and I feel confident that unless there is some effort made by the R. R. Co. to foster the industry, it is already doomed. I would suggest to the berry growers along the A. C. L. system to hold mass meetings at every shipping station on the road with the view of securing lower rates to Northern markets, or else voluntarily do what the transportation companies will eventually drive them to do—go out of the business.

Now as to some of the facts connected with the movement of this Spring's crop, I know there is a large number of shippers who will testify that late delivery, after markets had closed, was the cause of unprofitable prices. I have been informed by my commission merchants on several occasions that my fruit by Express was from five to seven hours late, and on one occasion was delivered Saturday evening after the commission house had closed, and had to be carried over until Monday, and was worthless. The Refrigerator Service was no better; there is abundant evidence that several cars have been delivered without ice, and the fruit worthless.

I have been informed that the berry growers around Norfolk, Va., send their berries to New York and Philadelphia for 18c per crate. We pay $1.00 for the so-called Refrigerator Service, and $1.19¼ for Express.

Now if this condition of affairs is to continue, the berry growers will be forced to abandon the business, and resort to some other means of supporting their families.

Gentlemen, let us plow up the last acre of berries and the last acre of everything else that we are dependent on the R. R. to haul, unless we can get better rates and prompt delivery.

J. A. MONTGOMERY.

BURGAW, N. C., May 23rd, 1899. my 25 1t

Opera House, TO-NIGHT.

Presentation of the World Famed

PASSION PLAY.

Prices, 25, 35 and 50 cents.

Seats at Gerken's.

Special Matinee To-morrow afternoon.

my 25 1t

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

St. John's Lodge No. 1, A. F. & A. M.

AN EMERGENT COMMUNICATION FOR work in the First Degree will be held th's (Friday) evening at 8 o'clock.

Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

WM. M. POISSON, Secretary.

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OPERA HOUSE,

Monday Night, May 29th. Blomme's Famous Dark Town Minstrels, in a Grand and Gorgeous Production of Old Time Negro Minstrelsy Prices, 10, 20, 30c. Seats on sale at Gerken's Saturday.

$5.00 in Gold to be given away that night.

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At the STAR OFFICE.

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At The Unlucky Corner Springfield Hams

Cheaper than anywhere in the State

Why do you buy that doubt ul

BUTTER

When you can get my Fox River Clover Hill brand for

25c?

"Nuff Said."

S. W. SANDERS.

BARGAINS! "THERE ARE OTHERS."

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SACRED CONCERT

—AT—

Fifth Street M. E. Church, South.

Friday, May 26, at 8.30 P. M.,

Benefit of the Church Debt,

By CLASS No. 47, J. W. Fleet Chairman.

Admission 25 cents. Tickets on sale at C. W. Yates & Co.'s, R. C. DeRosset's, A. J. Howell, Jr. and H. J. Gerken's. my 14 tf

GEORGE HONNET, Jr., OPTICIAN.

Office at George Honnet's JEWELRY STORE, No. 12 North Front St.

NO CHARGE FOR EXAMINATION.

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The Murchison National Bank.

Capital $200,000.

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J. V. GRAINGER, Cashier.

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111 Market Street,

THE JOHNSON DRY GOODS COMPANY,

Leaders in

FASHIONABLE FABRICS

and Trimmings.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF U. S. Marine Hospital Service, Wilmington, N. C., May 24, 1899. Sealed proposals will be received at this office until noon of Tuesday, June 6, 1899, to furnish subsistence and other supplies, including fuel, gas, electric light, water and telephone service for use of the Marine Hospital Service at Wilmington, N. C., during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1900. Schedules and further information may be obtained upon application to the undersigned. C. P. WEINTENBAKER, Passed Assistant Surgeon, M. H. S., in command of Station. my 25 1t

A TIP...

We are now making up Imported and Domestic Suitings and Trouserings at prices which will surprise you. We guarantee perfect fit, handsome finish, elegance and style with every garment we turn out.

Our line of Furnishing Goods is far above the average.

Fancy Half Hose, Negligee Shirts, Collars and Cuffs.

M. H. CURRAN,

my 21 tf 107 Princess street.

NOW IS THE TIME TO

Deposit in the **Wilmington Savings and Trust Co.**

Money deposited on or before May 1st will begin to bear interest from that date at

Rate of 4 Per Cent. Per Annum.

Call at the Bank for regulations.

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The C. W. Polvogt Co.

No. 9. North Front Street.

Summer Goods Are All In.

Mattings! Mattings!

Heavy Seamless China Matting 10c and upwards. Over 25 styles to select from.
Cotton Warp Matting, all new patterns, 15c and upwards.
Window Shades, 6 feet long, 3 feet wide, in all leading colors, at 25c each; 7 feet long at 35c. Special attention paid to Shades made to order. Largest assortment in the State to select from.
Hammocks! Hammocks! Twenty styles to select from. Prices $1.50 to $8.50 each.
Linoleum and Floor Oil Cloth in all widths, beautiful colorings. Prices 25c to $1.00 per yard. Write us for samples. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Bathing Suits!

We have just received our new line of Gent's, Ladies' and Children's Bathing Suits. No old stock to sell, but all new goods. Prices range from 50c to $5.00.
Japanese Portiers sold in pairs or single. Prices $1.25 and $1.50 each. Just the thing for Summer weather and Beach cottages.

Special this week.

We have just opened a lot of 300 Parasols, 26 inches, which we will sell at $1.00, $1.25, $1.50 and $1.75. These are worth almost double the prices asked. Select one before they are all sold.

Sole agents for W. B. Corsets and Standard Patterns.

THE C. W. POLVOGT CO.

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Hardware for Seashore Cottages.

Wire Screen Doors and Windows.

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White Mountain Refrigerators, Ice Cream Freezers, Ice Picks, Water Coolers, &c.

The Largest Hardware and House Furnishing Line.

A fully equipped Tin Shop. Anything in Tin or Sheet Metal manufactured or repaired.

Roofing and Repairing of Roofs and Range Work a Specialty.

OWEN F. LOVE & CO.,

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Mason's Fruit Jars,

BEST QUALITY.

PINTS 59c DOZEN,

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EXTRA RUBBERS 5c DOZEN.

Latest Novelties in Belt Buckles, 25c to 98c.
Shirt Waist Pins, three for 5c and upward.
Men's Scriven Drawers, 65c pair.

Grandest line of Spring Clothing and Hats.

J. H. REHDER & CO.,

FOURTH STREET BRIDGE.

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WILMINGTON'S BIG RACKET STORE.

THE PRICE THAT SELLS

is what we are going to use on the THREE THOUSAND PAIRS of SHOES left from last week's sale of the VonGlahn's Shoe stock. We have sold enough to pay back what the entire stock cost. The 3,000 pairs are clean profit. We are compelled to give up the store in a few days, but we are not going to move the Shoes, because the people are going to move them for us at prices that range below anything ever offered before by us or any one else. There is in this stock plenty of goods of standard character and sterling worth, such as Douglass, Lealands, Williams, &c.

But it is the PRICE and not the name

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON. N. C.

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FORCE VS. CONCILIATION.

The cable dispatches from Manila represent Gen. Otis as not favoring conciliatory propositions in dealing with the Filipinos who have been supporting Aguinaldo. His programme is to demand "unconditional surrender," although he says this may involve the expenditure of much money and the sacrifice of more lives. The peace commission, which seems to be influenced by Mr. Schurman, believes in coupling reconciliation with force, and while demonstrating the ability to enforce recognition of American supremacy make it an easy matter for these people to lay down their arms by assuring them that we intend to be their friends instead of their enemies and oppressors. Otis speaks like the soldier, whose pacificator is the sword; Schurman like the cool-headed civilian, with whom the sword would be the last resort, and who believes that the Filipinos have some rights that the sword ought to respect. Perhaps Gen. Otis believes in the Phil Sheridan theory that "only dead Indians are good Indians," and therefore believes that only dead or soundly whipped Filipinos are good Filipinos, and to make them really good he would kill as many of them as he could and thrash them so soundly that they would never forget it.

But probably Gen. Otis in his imperious utterance has forgotten that the conciliatory disposition shown by the Peace Commission may have had something to do with weaking the spinal column of the "rebellion" quite as much as the operations of our soldiers in the field. If the reports be true, the Filipino soldiers have been deserting their leaders and going to their homes, with the assurance that they are not to be imprisoned or otherwise punished for the part they have taken. Had they believed they were to be harshly dealt with the probabilities are that these leaders would have retained their influence over them, and they would have chosen the lesser of two evils and stuck to the leaders, rather than trust themselves to the mercy of the Americans. This disintegration of the "rebel" armies made Gen. Otis' task of overcoming them a comparatively easy one. He may be taking too much credit to himself in failing to give to the conciliators credit for the aid they have given him in driving Aguinaldo to bay and depriving him of the support of his people. Whip them well, says Gen. Otis, for if we don't, in the course of two or three years they may rebel again and we will have the job to do over again. Probably he is right, and if he is isn't there a lesson to be learned from that? These people yield to the dictum of necessity, and they will be good so long as they fear to be anything else. They will behave themselves and remain peaceful, not because they are reconciled to American supremacy, but because they remember how American guns shot them down, and how American shells destroyed their homes and fired the houses they lived in. That is the argument of brute force which must be kept up to be effective, and this means, if such language means anything, that we must govern these people by force and by making and keeping them afraid of us.

It is an easy thing to strut with domineering arrogance over a weak and poorly organized foe whom we in every way outclass. Gen. Otis represents a country with 70,000,000 of people and unbounded resources. The Filipinos know nothing of the art of war, and went to battle against some of the pluckiest and most irrepressible and indomitable soldiers on the face of the earth, armed with the most deadly weapons and machinery of war. It was no glory for our soldiers to win victories over such a foe, for the battles were simply reckless resistance on one side and slaughter on the other. There is neither glory in it nor is there good policy in the argument of force versus conciliation, for the day may come when force may not be as effective as it is now, may be immensely more costly, and we may find ourselves placed practically in the same position Spain was when we struck her in the Philippines to force her to divide her strength and prevent her from turning it all against Cuba.

We encouraged the Filipinos to rebel against Spain just as some future foe of ours may encourage them to rebel against us. The possession of those islands will necessarily involve us more or less in the games that nations will play on that side of the earth, and we cannot help becoming more or less entangled in them. With the natives friendly we might utilize them to ward off attacks on those islands, but with the natives hating us in their hearts we could not count on them and would have to keep watch on them while we fought the open foe. Suppose we had such a power as Great Britain to deal with, with her base of supplies at Hong Kong, three days sail from Manila. There is not much danger of that, for Great Britain and this country will probably remain friendly for some years, but the navies of Germany, France and Japan are growing, and we may become involved with some of these and possibly in another war with the Filipinos, a war waged on the other side of the earth and one that will cost us dollars to the dimes spent in this war.

We have little to gain and possibly much to lose by the grab we have made at those islands. They will be of about as much use to us, considering what they have and may cost us, as Aguinaldo's gold whistle was to him.

SOME ROCK BOTTOM TRUTHS.

Ex-Governor Northen, of Georgia, delivered an address in Boston a few days ago, in which, face to face, he told the people up there some rock bottom truths about the situation in the South and the relations between the races. It was not a defence of lynching, which he abhors, but it was a defence of and not an apology for the the South when the lynchings do occur. The drift of the address was to teach the people up there to see other people as they see themselves, and to judge other people as they would judge themselves, under similar circumstances. The following brief extracts give the gist of the address on the points they touch:

"I repeat again, mob law is terrible. You know its blood and slaughter in your own State. Georgia can no more suppress it than Massachusetts or New York. Until Massachusetts, New York, Illinois, Pennsylvania and other States can control the wild fury of a mob, let us be done with denunciations upon Georgia when she fails. Georgia and the South ask nothing but to be given the same consideration as other States and other sections.

"When the government appoints a minister to Austria and the cablegram comes—*persona non grata*—the name is recalled and another substituted at once. Why Austria and not the South? Why dominate the South with an appointee who is *persona non grata* when Austria can get what she wants? Why dominate a section whose people, as a section, are more thoroughly American than any other section of the continent; a section more devoted to American institutions than any other section as such, because of its more American citizenship; a section that defends the American flag with as loyal hearts, as heroic daring and as patriotic devotion as ever characterized a liberty-loving citizen of the nation? Let the North answer me, why?

"Now, then, if the slave trade, the promoter of slavery in America was a sin, whose sin was it? Not the sin of the South, but the sin of England, the Dutch and New England.

"If the conferring of citizenship and the ballot upon four millions of people, absolutely untaught in the simplest elements of government, was a mistake, whose mistake was it? Not the mistake of the South, but the mistake of the North.

"If the avenues to division and hate and blood and carnage, outrages and lynchings and violence and mobs have been opened up at the South through the ballot given to the negro and the politics taught him to pursue in the destruction of the white man were a sin, whose sin was it? Not the sin of the South, but the sin of the North.

"If the people in the South sheltered the negro in absolute poverty, fed him when he was hungry, furnished him means to accumulate property and money, educated his children to prepare them for usefulness in life, whose honor is but for the honor of the men who have borne for a generation his burdens while he gave marked ingratitude in return through his votes."

This was delivered in Tremont Temple, the walls of which have rung with denunciations of slavery and of the South, when New England was hot with fanaticism, the penalty of which she is paying today in her crippled industries and in her waning power. It is a long time since a Boston audience listened to so much solid truth put in bold, vigorous English.

Birmingham, Ala., doesn't seem to be a good place for even genteel loafers. A young man was recently fined for vagrancy, although he showed that he had several thousand dollars to his credit in one of the banks. The fact that he spent most of his time loafing around in unsavory places and in questionable company oversized the bank account. He was fined twenty-five dollars, and took an appeal.

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A GOOD SHOWING.

North Carolina isn't much of a trumpet-blower, but she is moving right along industrially and otherwise. Her finances are in a pretty healthy condition, and her credit good, as shown by the premium on her bonds, $10,000 of which, 6 per cents., sold a few days ago at $141 for $100. In connection with this the following statement from the State Treasury, which we clip from the Raleigh *News and Observer*, will be interesting:

"The State's debt is as follows:

"Four per cent. Consolidated Bonds, due 1910, $3,370,850.00.

"Six per cent. N. C. R. R. Construc-Bonds, due 1919, $2,720,000.00.

"Non interest-bearing outstanding Old Bonds, convertible into four per cent. Consolidated Bonds, $340,920.00.

"Total debt, $6,831,770.00.

"The State's investments are:

"Stock of N. C. R. R. Co., 32,002 shares, now worth $4,650,310.00.

"Stock of A. N. C. R. R. Co., 12,666 shares, now worth $253,320.00.

"State N. C. Consolidated Bonds, $136,750 of four percents., now $147,690.00.

"Present value of State's investments, $5,051,320.00.

"This estimate is upon N. C. R. R. stock, at 155, and A. & N. C. R. R stock, at $20 per share, and N. C. four per cent. bonds at 108.

"The interest on the four per cent. Consolidated bonds is amply provided for out of taxes levied for the purpose. The interest on the six per cent. Construction bonds is paid out of the individends on the State's stock in the N. C. R. R., which, by the terms of the lease to the Southern Railway Company, is now $195,013, and is to be $310,014 per year after 1901, for ninety-four years.

"The real and personal property of the State in 1898 was assessed at $265,867,198, which is not more than two-thirds its real value. The State collects a one fourth of one per cent. tax on this assessed valuation. This ad valorem tax, together with the special privilege, license and other incomes, brought into the Treasury in 1898 a total of $1,337,552.40, while for the same time the total disbursements were $1,254,592.09 for all purposes, showing receipts in excess of disbursements of $82,960.31 for the year.

"From the above statement it will be seen that the entire State debt is about $1,250,000. There will be paid 2 per cent. interest July 1st, 1899, on the issue of $110,000 awarded May 22d.

The experiment of big Sunday papers didn't take with the Londoners. Those English people have an idea that if Sunday isn't observed as a day of piety it should be observed as a day of rest if not of recreation, and that wrestling with one of these big Sunday papers contributes to neither.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE

— Clinton *Democrat*: This has not been a successful strawberry season. The berry farmers have nearly all lost money.

— Mount Olive *Advertiser*: Mr. Caleb Kornegay, one of Wayne county's most highly respected citizens, died at his residence near this place last Thursday, after a long illness.

— Salisbury *Sun*: Mr. John W. Leazar, a farmer of Sandy Ridge, is eighty-one years and five months old and the proud father of several small children, the youngest of them being nine months old.

— Goldsboro *Argus*: The death of Mr. Arthur D. Speight, at the age of 77, occurred Friday last at the home of his grand Nephew Mr. Will Darden. He was at one time one of the most affluent and influential citizens of eastern North Carolina. —— The death of Miss Mary Ellen Smith, daughter of the late Taylor Smith, occurred at the home of Mr. Harris, in this city, this (Wednesday) morning, in the 22nd year of her age.

— Burlington *News*: The following number of hides have been bought by Mr. J. D. Payne at this place. Rabbits skines, 69,506; mink 520, muskrats 456; oppossum, 562; coon 30; house cat 8; fox 5; otters 7. The amount paid to farmers for rabbits, meat and hides, by Mr. Payne alone since Christmas was $4,170.36. This is a revelation to us as regards the rabbit. We have always regarded rabbits as useless, only fit to be destroyed and as only furnishing a little sport occasionally for negroes and others who had nothing else to hunt for but the above figures put the rabbit in a new light.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: The farmers are complaining bitterly because of the cold weather. It's the coldest May, they say, that they've seen in many years. If it continues much longer the cotton crop will be greatly injured. Already it is beginning to turn read and "spot." Cotton is most decidedly a hot-weather crop.

—— Sheriff Bradshaw, of Mitchell county, yesterday brought one convict to the penitentiary. The prisoner is a white boy named George Harrell. He is 16 years old and gets two years for killing George Weathersby, another boy about the same age. It seems that they were playing "crackaloo," when a dispute arose and Harrell pulled his gun and shot Weathersby. The jury found him guilty of murder in the second degree and asked the mercy of the court on him.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

M. E. Church, South, Wilmington District.

Scott's Hill, at Prospect, May 27.
Wilmington, Fifth Street, 11 A. M., June 4.
Wilmington, Market Street, night, June 4.
Magnolia, Providence, June 10-11.
Burgaw, Herring's Chapel, June 17-18.
Southport, (District Conference), June 21-25.
Brunswick, Shallotte, July 8-9
Waccamaw, Zion, July 15-16.
Whiteville, Fair Bluff, July 18.
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CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Gen. Henry thinks the great-great-grandchildren of the present inhabitants of Porto Rico will probably make good citizens. This is encouraging. Now let him go over and report on the Philippines.—*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

—— Texas has passed an anti-trust law which will make it necessary for the trusts to set up dummy offices in that state, as they are compelled to do in other states where laws have been enacted against them. The only effect state laws seem to have on the trusts is to complicate the bookkeeping—*Chicago News, Ind.*

—— The trust anaconda is rapidly unfolding all the great material interests and enterprises of Virginia in its mighty coils. The most recent victims are our Southwestern iron, steel and railroad interests, capitalized at $15,000,000. The power of a trust is immense and frightful, and if one man contrive to get it in his hands, he can wield it against his partners as well as others.—*Norfolk Virginian and Pilot, Dem.*

—— As a class the farmers of the United States are not deeply interested in the production of raw wool. That business has gone largely into the hands of shepherds and ranchers. The farmer profits more by the cheapness of the woollen fabrics which he buys than by the dearness of the wool which he sells. But when the Wool Trust shall have got fairly into operation those who have wool to sell and those who have woollens to buy will have equal reason for apprehension. As the sole buyer and the sole seller, inside of our tariff walls, the Trust will be enabled to fleece both producer and consumer.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

TWINKLINGS.

— "If anybody calls—" remarked Bluffem, as he raised the ante on a four flush, "if anybody calls, say I'm out."

— De Tanque—"What is Guzzler's favorite tipple going to be this Summer?" De Soaque—"High balls; he's even going to make his wife give all her dances on the roof garden."

— Mother—"It was very foolish of you to become engaged to a man of whom you know so little. Remember that your whole life's happiness depends on him." Daughter—"Why, mamma, you talk as though I were going to marry the man."

— The man of the hour showed us his picture gallery. "These," he remarked, indicating some portraits, "are my ancestors." "And these?" we asked, indicating other portraits. "Oh, those were my father's ancestors," replied the man.

— Blitzen—"I was sorry to see you on your wheel last Sunday. Evidently you haven't much respect for the Sabbath." Donder—"You'd better talk; you were playing golf all day long." Blitzen—"Yes, but golf, you know, is a holey game."—*Boston Transcript.*

— So you think you can stand the arduous duties of a variety actor? You know in our play we find occasion to throw you down a 30 foot flight of stairs into a barrel of rain water." "I think I can stand it," said the hungry man. "I was collector in a hire-system furniture establishment for three years."

— Weak Advice: "Aim high," cried the clerical visitor, as he endeavored to rouse the moral ambition of the bright-faced Sunday school lads and lasses before him. "Aim high!" "Not much," interrupted a small boy on the front bench; "that's what th' Spaniards did, an' see what happened to them!"—*Cleveland Plain Dealer.*

— "Remember, boys," said the master, "that in the bright lexicon of youth there's no such word as fail." After a few moments a boy raised his hand. "Well," what is it, my lad?" asked the master. "I was merely going to suggest," replied the youngster, "that if such is the case it would be advisable to write to the publishers of that lexicon and call their attention to the omission."—*Tit-Bits.*

TALKING DOWN THE TUBE.

Unpleasant Results From Keeping a Harsh Voiced Maid.

One of the unpleasant features of life in a flat is that you unconsciously turn friends or indifferent acquaintances into active enemies. Some one rings the bell. Your faithful maid rushes from the kitchen to the speaking tube.

"Who is it?"

But no words can describe the forbidding tone in which this natural request is made. You say to yourself, "I must sandpaper Emma's voice."

If you were at the other end of the tube, you would hear a well bred question:

"Is Mrs. Smithers in?"

"Who is it?" (Emma is uncompromising.)

"Is Mrs. Smithers in?"

"What's your name?" (Fortissimo.)

"I asked if Mrs. Smithers was in."

"Yes, but who are you?" (You rush into the hall to expostulate.)

"Will you tell Mrs. Smithers that Mrs. De Lancey Montressor called?"

"Come up."

Silence.

Ominous silence. You look out of the window. Mrs. Montressor is going away. The back of her head looks angry.

And it was only last Thursday that you invited her to talk with you at your home about getting up a class to study Dante in the original.

Emma is in the kitchen. You dare not reproach her. In the first place, you yourself told her always to ask a caller's name before opening the door. In the second place, she is getting dinner.—Boston Journal.

Cranky Vessels.

Even the best designers never know how their ships will turn out when completed. They may break all records for speed, or they may be so slow as to be entirely useless—a mere waste of money.

Years ago two mud barges were built at San Francisco, exactly alike, constructed from one design. One of them was quite commonplace, but the other raced every barge in the bay and beat them all; raced every yacht on the Pacific coast and beat them. She was so fast that yachts were built on her lines, but turned out mere barges for sloth. Nobody could see how this craft differed from her crawling sisters or from the yachts.

In 1851 the America went to Cowes, England, and raced for a prize cup. She won that trophy, and then an Englishman bought her and improved her hull, stiffening it with knees throughout. After that she lost every race.

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JUSTICE IN ETHIOPIA.

THE SORCERY BY WHICH AN ASSASSIN WAS TRACKED.

His Trial Before King Menelek's Criminal Court—The Abyssinian Method of Procedure—The Sentence and the Execution.

In order to get clews in difficult cases the Abyssinians resort to extraordinary methods. In detecting criminals they employ a young boy, whom they put into a certain condition of somnambulism. They call him the Ilebacha.

The Ilebacha is made to steep at the scene of the crime. Early in the morning the seance begins. During the night he is supposed to have become thoroughly impregnated with the fluids which the criminal left in the astral atmosphere. Consequently he has a clew which he follows as one might follow footsteps upon the sand. But before he starts out he must drink, fasting, the "magic draft." This beverage, like those employed by the sorcerers of the middle ages, is composed of vegetable and animal ingredients. It is said that at daybreak they add three drops of the blood of a male child.

When the Ilebacha has taken this strange morning cocktail, he becomes extra lucid. He sets out on his journey, followed by an anxious crowd watching all his movements. Some time ago your correspondent had the privilege of seeing a Ilebacha started on the scent of an assassin who had murdered the Abyssinian carrier of the French mails. The young somnambulist at first ran to the camp of the merchants. There he entered a hut and rested. The crowd understood that the criminal had stopped there, and, as a matter of fact, the woman of the house, on being interrogated, replied that a man the day before took shelter there, but left at sunrise, forgetting his gun. The gun was examined and recognized as the one that belonged to the carrier. Evidently the scent was good.

The Ilebacha rose, ran along rapidly and soon entered another house, where they found that the assassin had asked for a drink and had just left. The Ilebacha set out in pursuit, but the horsemen, anxious to seize the assassin and get the prize offered by Menelek, dashed at a gallop along the road and soon brought back the fugitive.

A few days afterward the members of the French colony of Addis-Abeba were invited by Menelek to be present at the trial. It was a spectacle never to be forgotten. It is in the open air that Menelek holds his criminal court, under the perpetually blue sky of Abyssinia. On the steps of an immense banquet hall the emperor was squatted, oriental fashion. At his left was the French colony, at his right, seated on steps covered with carpets, was the affa-negus or "mouth of the king," as he is called, the chief justice of the empire. Below him were the judges with their white turbans, and all around, forming a semicircle on each side of the tribunal, were the spectators. The criminal was brought forward. According to the Abyssinian custom he was chained to two freemen. This is a precaution against any chance of escape or suicide. It is also hoped that his two guards by chatting with him may induce him to confess his crime.

The prisoner was a little, lame man. He advanced into the vacant spot in front of the negus. He knew the fate that awaited him, but he appeared to be perfectly calm and looked placidly into the face of him who was about to judge him.

"Heaven save you!" cried an Abyssinian.

"Keep your prayer for yourself," replied the prisoner. "I don't want it."

"You have committed a murder," said the emperor. "Why did you do it?"

"To rob," was the reply.

"Did your crime have any other motive in view?"

"No; I am a beggar. The courier had thalers and I wanted them."

"Well, you shall be punished," said the emperor. "Have you anything to ask?"

"Your clemency would give you immortal renown," pleaded the murderer. "If you pardon me you will be like the good God."

Then the emperor turned toward the crowd and consulted the notabilities. An old man advanced and declared that during his long life he never heard of such a dreadful crime and that the criminal deserved to be hanged.

Another said that he should be burned. A third spoke loud and for a long time, making furious gesticulations and concluding that if the assassin had ten lives he should be executed ten times. All were unanimous in pronouncing the crime abominable. Each one endeavored to be as eloquent as possible, so as to attract the attention of the negus. They were not lawyers, and, by the way, it is not safe to call a man a lawyer in Abyssinia, because "lawyer" in that country means "vender of words." They were ordinary subjects who had come to the trial, the jury in all its purity. They were graceful in their movements of sincerity and indignation; but, like all orientals, they were too emphatic and extravagant.

The affa-negus came down from the steps, and turning toward the emperor delivered his address in a loud voice. "One might go," said he, "to Djibouti, to Massaua and even to the White Nile without encountering any trouble. Even a woman can travel from the land of the Kaffa to Gondar without being molested, and yet this little, sickly and lame man" (at these words the assassin rose up and looked at the judge with an air of defiance) "killed this courier while he was calmly sleeping. The crime was great; the punishment must be terrible. Let it be applied."

Another judge brought the book of the law, the "Fetha-Negest," from which he read as follows: "He who commits a murder and who by his crime brings scandal upon the city shall be burned alive."

But the king of kings of Ethiopia would not permit the sentence to be carried out according to the ancient law.

"Let him be hanged!" said he.

They took away the prisoner, and in a corner they removed his chains. Then he was pinioned. The executioner, a big fellow with a brutal face, was fully a head taller than the prisoner. The crowd followed him. On the way the women came out of their little huts and uttered lugubrious cries. The prisoner chatted with his guards all the way to the market place, where he was hanged. At 20 minutes to 10 o'clock in the morning the sentence was pronounced, and at 5 minutes past 10 the law was vindicated.—Figaro.

It is strange to notice how many old classical expressions still survive in Tuscany. The people still swear "By Bacchus!" and "By Diana!" just as we do "By Jove!" but when they talk of "Tom, Dick and Harry" they say "Titus, Caius and Sempronius."

Milton and Dante's Heaven.

Milton's heaven is earthly and obvious, though with none but celestial inhabitants; where eve and morn succeed each other and "grateful twilight" has its appointed hour: where

the trees
Of life ambrosial fruitage bear, and vines
Yield nectar;

whose angels sleep "fanned with cool winds" in their celestial tabernacles and eat not seemingly "nor in mist," but "with keen dispatch of real hunger" verging on excess, from any injurious effects of which, as the poet takes pains to tell us, their spiritual nature avails to save them. Dante's heaven is no less definite and orderly to its minutest detail, but mystical and ethereal, even while peopled by the sons and daughters of earth, passing from glory to glory in ascending brightness, with divine visions that come and go like stars in a cloudy night and attended by the music of the spheres. These are the two extremes between which lesser poets paint and plant their Edens.—Gentleman's Magazine.

In a Boom Market.

The Lamb—The thing has gone down until it isn't worth a cent on the dollar. And yet you told me it was a good investment.

The Wolf—And so I still think. The trouble is that we look at it from different points of view, that's all.—Boston Transcript.

SMILES AND TEARS.

You bid me sing a gay refrain,
Wh from my lyre a note more glad,
And when I chose a brighter strain,
Still—still you told me it was sad.

I did not mean it should be so,
Nor was my wish to make you sigh:
But you are young and do not know
How joy and grief together lie.

There ever is a minor chord
Struck somewhere in our earthly lays,
Ever a shadow on the sward
Of brightest scenes whereon we gaze.

And while we may not heed the one
Nor hear the other, each is there,
Yet darkening the landscape fair.

Thus, often scarcely knowing why,
We cannot look without a tear,
And so it is we sometimes sigh,
Though joyous by the song we hear.
—Argosy.

Old and New.

An English newspaper contains an interesting parallel, discovered by a classical scholar. First comes a translation from the original Greek of Antipater of Thessalonica:

Once upon a time, when a ship was shattered at sea, two men fell at strife, fighting for one plank. Antagoras struck away Pisistratus. One could not blame him; it was for his life. But justice took cognizance. The other swam ashore; but him (Antagoras) a dogfish seized. Surely, the avenger of the fates rests not, even in the watery deep.

Then an incident recorded in the London Chronicle serves to translate the story into a modern event and to show how life repeats itself:

Two bluejackets, named Friday and Painter, were capsized from a boat at Weymouth. After a struggle to get into the waterlogged boat Friday beat his comrade off, and Painter swam ashore. Friday got into the boat and was drowned.

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BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		@	16
Standard		@	17
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔	19	@	19½
Sides ℔	8½	@	8
Shoulders ℔	8½	@	9½
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔	5½	@	5½
Shoulders ℔	6	@	6½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each		@	1 10
New New York, each		@	1 30
New City, each		@	1 35
BEESWAX ℔		@	22
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔	12½	@	15
Northern	20	@	23
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks	51	@	55
Virginia Meal	53	@	55
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	75	@	80
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	13	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	10½	@	11½
Dairy Cream		@	11
State		@	10½
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	12	@	15
Rio	7½	@	10
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 lbs	11	@	70
EGGS—℔ dozen		@	13
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	30 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl.	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl.	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	2 50	@	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 00	@	8 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 50
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
Extra	4 25	@	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade		@	3 80
Choice		@	3 75
Straight	4 00	@	4 25
First Patent	4 50	@	5 00
GLUE—℔ ℔—	7½	@	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White	55	@	65
Car-load, in bgs—White		@	50
Oats, from store	40	@	50
Oats, Rust Proof		@	45
Cow Peas	65	@	70
Black Eye Peas	1 00	@	1 10
HIDES—℔ ℔—			
Green salted		@	8½
Dry flint		@	10
Dry salt		@	9
HAY ℔ 100 lbs			
Clover Hay	80	@	80
Rice Straw	40	@	45
Eastern		@	75
Western		@	75
North River		@	75
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	1¾	@	1¾
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	5	@	7
North Carolina	6	@	10½
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
Common mill	5 00	@	6 50
Fair mill	6 50	@	8 00
Prime mill	8 50	@	10 00
Extra mill	10 00	@	10 50
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads		@	27
Porto Rico, in barrels		@	28
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	15	@	25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	1 60	@	1 65
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		@	11 00
Rump		@	10 50
Prime		@	10 00
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	@	12
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	1 10
Liverpool	75	@	80
American	70	@	75
On 126 ℔ Sacks		@	67½
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00	@	6 00
Common	1 60	@	2 25
Cypress Sage	3 50	@	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5¾	@	5¾
Standard A	5	@	5¼
White Extra C	5	@	5¼
Extra C, Golden		@	5
C, Yellow		@	4¾
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½	@	5
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	5 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M foot—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Palmo		@	7 00
Mill, Fair		@	6 00
Common Mill	4 50	@	5 00
Inferior to ordinary	3 00	@	4 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed ℔ M 5-2x4 heart—	7 50	@	8 00
Sap	5 00	@	6 00
5-2x4 Heart	4 50	@	5 00
" Sap	3 00	@	4 00
6-2x4 Heart	6 00	@	6 50
" Sap	5 00	@	5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔		@	4
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 20	@	1 30
North Carolina	1 20	@	1 30
WOOL per ℔—Unwashed	15	@	15

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, May 25.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Market firm at 39½ cents per gallon for machine made casks and 39 cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at 90 cents per bbl for strained and 95c for good strained.

TAR—Market steady at $1.30 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market firm at $1.35 per barrel for hard, $2.30 for Dip and $2.40 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 26½@26c; rosin firm at 95@$1.00; tar steady at $1.10; crude turpentine steady at $1.25, $1.70@1.80.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	125
Rosin	586
Tar	117
Crude Turpentine	75

Receipts same day last year.—123 casks spirits turpentine, 451 bbls rosin, 212 bbls tar, 116 bbls crude turpentine.

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Where yesterday I found it,
Right cozy in its gloomy den,
With a melody wrapped round it.
Through all the years 'twas waiting so
To hear the summons of that minute.
I thought I loved the pen, but no!
It was the song within it!

Today my lady sang to me
My song in sweetest fashion,
Unwrapped it from the melody
In the radiance of its passion.
As one might see a blossom grow,
Yet never see the sun above it,
I thought I loved the song; but no!
It was her singing of it!

—John Erskine in Morningside.

A MIDDY'S CAPTIVE.

"Blubbering won't do any good; you had better report the matter to Captain Wilson at once," said the navigating lieutenant of her majesty's ship Triumph as he gazed quizzingly down at the chubby faced midshipman who stood in such comical dismay before his superior officer. "Come with me; I'm going to his stateroom now," the speaker added, not unkindly, as he noted the lad's evident distress.

"I'm not blubbering, and I don't care if he does stop my leave!" indignantly responded the youngster, drawing himself up to his full height.

"What is it, Stuart?" inquired the captain as the twain entered his cabin.

"I merely wished to say that we are ready to get under way whenever you please, sir; but Robson has a report to make," said the lieutenant.

"Not seasick yet, I hope?" ejaculated Captian Wilson ironically. "Well, I'm listening."

"Please, sir, it's the 'First Lord.' He's bolted. He ran off while we were shipping the soft tack—I mean the bread," incoherently stammered Robson.

"The 'First Lord bolted with the soft tack!" exclaimed Wilson in astonishment. "What does he mean, Stuart? Who's the 'First Lord?' Is the boy a raving maniac?"

Lieutenant Stuart had perforce to explain that the cadet, being in charge of a boat sent ashore to ship provisions, had lost one of his men, an ablebodied seaman answering to the name of West, but who was, by reason of his superior bearing, nicknamed by his messmates "the First Lord of the Admiralty."

Charley Robson meekly endured the reproaches of his commander, who was a stern martinet and made no allowance for youthful inexperience. "But at any rate," mused the young fellow when he was at length dismissed, "he said nothing about stopping my furlough." And then his volatile spirits threw off the recent discomfiture as only youth knows how to do, while his thoughts wandered far away to that pleasant country home in Surrey, with all its attendant attractions, from which he had been separated for one long year. And if among the dream faces conjured up there was one which eclipsed all others the fact should not cause undue surprise.

The usual steps taken to secure the arrest of the deserter were of no avail. His description was circulated by the police throughout the country and all the majesty of the law was invoked to capture the runaway, but the man disappeared as completely as if the earth had opened and swallowed him up. He was of a strangely reserved nature, mixed but little with his companions and had evidently once occupied a far superior station in life.

There was one person, however, who did not forget the runaway. Robson often in imagination ran the scoundrel to earth.

Little did Charley Robson imagine, as at the commencement of his long deferred leave he lounged in a first class smoker on his way to Guildford, how soon or under what strange circumstances he would meet the villain of his melodrama.

"And now you have come home Alice will be able to resume her interrupted country walks," said the mother of the youthful sailor next morning; "but of course," added she, addressing the girl, "Charley has not heard of your latest admirer. I don't know whether the girl's nerves are out of order," continued Mrs. Robson, "but she declares that a strange man has been following her about during the last few weeks, although no one else has ever caught a glimpse of him."

"I shan't be afraid of any loafers while Charley is with me," responded the maiden. "In proof of which he shall convoy me for a walk now." And Alice Westerne buoyantly danced off to array herself for the proposed jaunt.

The eyes of mother and son followed the girl with a wistful look as she quitted the room.

"I suppose nothing has been heard of him?" queried the latter.

"No! Your father thinks there never will be. Doubtless Sir Richard died abroad, believing to the end that he was a murderer!"

"And Alice is still ignorant of her father's sad history?" queried the lad.

"Yes. We have decided not to say anything to her until she is of age, unless some contingency should arise, such as your obtaining a sublieutenancy and being of the same mind as you are now."

Robson colored at the hint delicately conveyed by his mother and so well understood by himself. To see their only son mated to their ward was the dearest wish of Admiral and Mrs. Robson, yet they had the good sense to restrain the impetuosity of the youthful couple until both arrived at years of maturity.

With the course of true love running thus smoothly, and the crisp, frozen ground under their feet, the twain started upon their ramble.

With buoyant steps they breasted the "Hog Back," from which favorite vantage ground a splendid view of the surrounding country could be obtained.

"Yes, there's the dear old Towers," said Alice, "where I should be living now if the pater had not died."

"You've found another home," whispered Charley, "and other parents."

"I know that, dear," responded the girl "But you cannot imagine what it feels like to have one's birthplace given over to ruin and decay and to know one hasn't a single living relative. Only to think I cannot even visit my father's grave, because he died in some faraway outlandish place!" Then, with returning vivacity, she added: "Don't you remember that day in your school holidays when we walked over there and rambled through the disused rooms? How we thought there was a ghost in the hall and ran all three miles back home without stopping?"

"I should just think I did," said the young officer. "You caught a chill through being overheated, and the governor said he would make a tailor out of me for being such an idiot."

"You wouldn't be afraid now?" queried the girl.

"No fear," laughed her companion.

"Life on a man-of-war soon knocks all the fear of spooks out of a man."

"Let us pay another visit, then."

A sharp walk soon brought the twain to the rusty lodge gates of Westerne Towers.

"How dreary it looks!" said the girl. "I wonder if that scullery window is still unfastened?"

Charley tried, and, to his surprise, the sash slipped up without difficulty. "It's a case of gentlemen first this time," said he, stepping through the aperture. "Come along, tomboy. If you're not careful, you'll tear your dress. The window's no bigger than the lubber hole of a brig."

The easement being negotiated in safety, together they wandered through the cobweb festooned rooms of the once palatial residence. Ascending to a second story, Robson carelessly threw open a door of a room which faced the landing. Here an unexpected sight met their gaze. Sitting before a wood fire was an elderly man, contemplating the flames with a ruminant air. At the sound they made he turned his face toward them and started in alarm.

The next moment the youth was across the room and grappling with the stranger. "You villain!" he panted. "I've got you at last! Run, Allie! Bring some one quickly! I can't hold him long. Say he's a deserter from the navy."

The trembling limbs of the girl failed to carry out the behests as she stood fascinated, watching the unequal struggle, which was speedily ended.

Youth and agility were no match for the sailor's sinewy arms, and in a short time Robson was ignominiously pinned against the wall.

With lowering brows and eyes which bore no good to his captive West stood staring at the lad as if undecided what to do with him. Then, catching sight of the pale face of Alice, who was petrified with horror upon recognizing in her companion's antagonist the man who had so persistently dogged her footsteps of late, his own features assumed a softer expression, and he muttered, "It is kismet!"

After a pause of breathless silence the ex-sailor, addressing his captive, said: "You are not so muscular as was your father in his youth, young fellow. The Charley Robson that I knew would never have allowed an old man to get the better of him; but let that pass and come to the crux of the matter. You want to arrest me for deserting from the navy. Very well, you shall, if you still wish to, after hearing what I have to say."

Releasing the grip upon his would be captor, the elder man, in a strangely cultured voice, addressed his auditors.

"Years ago," he said, "I was known and respected in this neighborhood—a man of substance and a member of the diplomatic corps. Unfortunately in my official capacity I became embroiled in a quarrel with a political opponent, and, as was more common even 15 years ago, the result was I had no alternative between fighting a duel or being dishonored.

"Not to make a long story, my adversary and our seconds journeyed to Guildford with me late one night, intending to settle our differences at daybreak on the following morning. With the courtesy that such affairs demanded, I offered the whole party hospitality for the night.

"From the moment my head touched the pillow until I was awakened the next morning my mind was an entire blank; but judge of my horror when, essaying to rise, I found the bedclothes dabbled with blood and at the foot of my couch a gory hunting knife belonging to myself. Simultaneous with my horrible discovery, the servant found the man I was to have fought lying foully murdered.

"Although conscious of my innocence, I dared not face the inquiry which was sure to follow, as who would believe my own theory of the matter, which was simply that I committed the terrible act in my sleep, as from childhood I had been subject to attacks of somnambulism? Hastily caressing my infant daughter, the only pledge left me by my departed wife, I left the house like a felon and fled the country, and it was hunger for a glimpse of my dear child's face that has worked my undoing. My faithful secretary connived at my escape, and subsequently sent me the news of the finding of an indictment for willful murder against Sir Richard Westerne. Yes; you will be able to deliver up to justice a more important person than the deserter West. My devoted retainer Burton, who assisted me at such great risks to himself, is not here to help me now. He is dead."

"He was a villain, Sir Richard!" cried Robson in wild excitement. "It was he himself who killed Lord Marcus and artfully foisted the blame upon you in order that you should not discover his defalcations. My father possesses his dying confessions to that effect."

The sudden revulsion of feeling was almost too much for the baronet. Tottering to the nearest chair, he buried his face in his toil worn hands. Silence reigned in the room for a few intense moments; then Sir Richard, feeling a gentle hand upon his shoulder, looked upon into a sweet but still scared face and two half frightened gray eyes.

"Daddy, dear," Charley heard a voice murmur softly as he stole from the room.

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Powerful friends at the admiralty soon glossed over the delinquencies of the seaman West, and Sir Richard Westerne once more assumed his proper rank and station. As time wore on, and the vividness of his past misery faded, he could even afford to joke about the matter, and sometimes, upon the rare occasions that he saw a certain young officer, would, much to the amusement of his daughter, simulate extreme terror and cry in affected dismay, "He has come for me at last!" When some few years later a very excited youth, with a golden circlet upon the arm of his new uniform coat, burst unceremoniously into the room, he was greeted by the same old joke, and in response thereto blushingly replied, "I'll let you off this time if you will give me Allie as a hostage." And as the girl seemed to be a willing sacrifice Sir Richard gave them his blessing.—Answers.

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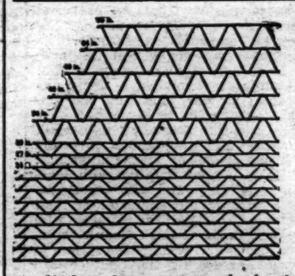

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Train 85—Leaves Atlanta 9:30 P. M. Leaves Charlotte 5:00 A. M. Arrives Monroe 6:45A. M., Wadesboro 6:51 A.M., Hamlet 7:43 A. M., Sanford 9:33 A. M., Raleigh 11:13 A. M., Weldon 2:30 P. M., Portsmouth 5:30 P. M.

Train 82—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9.05 A. M., Pembroke 9:21 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12.05 noon.

Train 402—Leaves Wilmington 5:00 P. M., Richmond 9:00 P. M., Portsmouth 8:45 P. M., Weldon 11:10 P. M. Arrives Raleigh 2:14 A. M., Sanford 3:33 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Wadesboro 6:01 A. M., Monroe 6:53 A. M., Charlotte 8:00 A. M., Atlanta 2:50 P. M.

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Train 403—Leaves Rutherfordton 4:20 P. M. Arrives Shelby 5:40 P. M. Lincolnton 6:56 P. M., Charlotte 8:15 P. M., Monroe 9:10 P. M.

Train 409—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 noon. Arrives Monroe 9:30 P. M., Wadesboro 10:30 P. M., Hamlet 11:15 P. M., Sanford 12:55 P. M., Raleigh 2:00 A. M. Weldon 4:58 A. M., Portsmouth 7:20 A. M., Richmond 9:15 A. M., Washington 12:41 noon.

Train 18—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M. Arrives Gibson 8:10 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 6:50 A. M. Arrives Hamlet 7:20 A. M.

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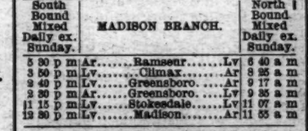

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Schedule in Effect March 26th, 1899.

South Bound Daily No. 52.	MAIN LINE.	North Bound Daily No. 53.
6 50 p m	Ar.....Wilmington.....Lv	9 00 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Fayetteville.....Ar	12 10 a m
3 45 p m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	12 38 p m
2 30 p m	Lv.....Sanford.....Lv	1 43 p m
12 43 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Lv	3 44 p m
12 13 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	4 15 p m
11 55 a m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	4 35 p m
11 07 a m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	5 19 p m
10 36 a m	Lv.....Walnut Cove.....Lv	5 44 p m
10 09 a m	Lv.....Rural Hall.....Lv	6 13 p m
8 45 a m	Lv.....Mt. Airy.....Ar	7 35 p m

South Bound Daily No. 54.	BENNETTSVILLE.	North Bound Daily No. 55.
8 00 a m	Lv.....Bennettsville.....Ar	7 15 p m
9 07 a m	Lv.....Maxton.....Lv	6 15 p m
9 35 a m	Lv.....Red Springs.....Lv	5 35 p m
10 20 a m	Lv.....Hope Mills.....Lv	4 52 p m
10 40 a m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	4 33 p m

No. 46.	MADISON BRANCH.	No. 47.
South Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.		North Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.
5 30 p m	Ar.....Ramseur.....Lv	6 40 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Ar	8 25 a m
2 40 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	9 17 a m
2 20 p m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	9 35 a m
11 15 p m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	11 07 a m
12 30 p m	Lv.....Madison.....Ar	11 55 a m

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DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND.	
DAILY 9.05 A. M.	No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 10.53 A. M., Warsaw 11.13 A. M., Goldsboro 12.20 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.21 P. M. Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 5.51 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Norfolk 8.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.50 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 5.55 A. M., †Boston 8.00 P. M.
DAILY 7.00 P. M.	No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.34 P. M., Warsaw 8.48 P. M., Goldsboro 9.45 P. M., Wilson 10.38 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.58 P. M. Weldon 1.00 A. M., †Norfolk 10.35 A. M., Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.50 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.33 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.06 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.
DAILY except Sunday 4.13 P. M.	No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville Newbern 8.40 P. M.
SUNDAY 2.25 P. M.	
SOUTH BOUND.	
DAILY 2.45 P. M.	No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.55 P. M., Chadbourn 5.38 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.07 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.19 A. M., Augusta 7.35 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.30 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.
ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.	
DAILY 5.50 P. M.	No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York †3.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 3.30 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 8.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.53 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.21 P. M., Warsaw 4.19 P. M., Magnolia 4.38 P. M.
DAILY 9.45 A. M	No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 A. M., Philadelphia 12.00 P. M., Baltimore 2.35 P. M., Washington 3.56 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 8.19 P. M., †Norfolk 9.30 P. M., Weldon 9.43 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.30 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.55 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.
DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M.	No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.35 A. M.
FROM THE SOUTH.	
DAILY 1.15 P. M.	No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.35 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 9.40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.50 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.34 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.08 A. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 5.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.53 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.30 A. M. and 3.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.20 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.35 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.10 A. M., 4.08 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Nashville 11.28 A. M.; 5.39 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 8.10 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 10.50 A. M.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrive Latta 10.34 A. M., Dillon 10.52 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.20 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.20 A. M.; arrive Hub 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 5.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 2.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.35 A. M.; 5.55 P. M Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.13 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M. Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 3.56 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P.M.; arrive Darlington 8.20 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.50 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.05 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 3.00 P. M., Cheraw 4.45 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 A. M., Darlington 6.20 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 11.14 P. M., arrive Selma 2.59 P. M. 11.57 P. M., Smithfield 3.06 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M. Fayetteville 4.35 P. M., 1.06 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M., returning leave Rowland 10.54 A. M., Fayetteville 12.18 P. M., 9.40 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.26 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M., 11.31 A. M.

Manchester & Augusta R. R. trains leave Sumter 4.39 A. M., Creston 5.17 A. M. arrive Denmark 6.19 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.13 P. M., Sumter 6.08 P. M. Daily.

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FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 26, 1899.

ADDRESS TO NEGROES.

Col. Julian S. Carr Discusses the Subject of Lynchings at the A. & M. College, Greensboro.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., May 25.—A special to the *News and Observer* from Greensboro, N. C., says:

Col. Julian S. Carr, in his address before the colored Agricultural and Mechanical College here, spoke at length upon the subject of lynchings. Colonel Carr is very kindly disposed toward the negro. He said that the recent atrocious crimes in one of our Southern States, and the barbarous death meted out to the brute guilty of them had brought us face to face with conditions that threaten our very civilization. Lynching, as a preventive of rape, had proved a horrible failure. And while no death was too terrible for the assailant of an innocent woman, for the honor of the South lynchings should be stamped out and the law permitted to take its course. The pulpit and the press should join in the work to make it respected. At the same time all technicalities, delays and challenges that give criminals such an advantage must be wiped out, so that men may know that the execution of a rapist will be swiftly and surely followed by his capture.

Turning then from the responsibilities of the white race to those of the black, Colonel Carr said:

"The question of the future of the Southern negro is one that must be deferred for settlement until we have restored safety and a feeling of security to the humblest woman in the poorest cabin of the most thinly settled portion of the South. The Southern white men cannot restore that security. That is the mission of the leaders of the negro race. They must make a public sentiment so strong in their race that no brute can fail to be impressed and deterred by it. Criminals must be made to understand that crime shuts the door of respectable homes to the criminal. Let him be a pariah, an ishmaelite, and outcast, to be received nowhere except by charity and upon probation."

THE REINA MERCEDES.

Preparations for a Demonstration in Honor of the Arrival of the Ship at the Norfolk Navy Yard.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., May 25.—While all preparations are being made for a maritime demonstration in honor of the ex-Spaniard Reina Mercedes, in honor of her arrival at the Norfolk navy yard, the Board of Health of the city adopted resolutions to-day protesting against her being dismantled here. This protest was formally filed with Dr. F. S. Hope, State quarantine officer, who has called a public meeting of all officials of Norfolk, Portsmouth and Berkeley, to-day, to hear the matter discussed. Dr. Hope says the Mercedes has been under water eight months, never infected as far as known, has been thoroughly fumigated and washed out, was eight days in transit, and five days in quarantine here, and he believes with Surgeon General Wyman and Dr. Pettus that there is no danger.

The Board of Health does not seriously object to the Mercedes being brought to this yard, but protests against her being repaired here until after the first frost. Notwithstanding their objections, the cruiser will come up Saturday morning, escorted by hundreds of tugs and other harbor crafts.

INTER-STATE COMMERCE.

Commission Concluded Hearing in the Case of the Wilmington Tariff Association. Hilton Lumber Co.'s Complaint.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—The Inter-State Commerce Commission began a hearing to-day in which the Hilton Lumber Company, of Wilmington, N. C., appeared as the complainant, involving the Southern Railroad, the Seaboard Air Line, Pennsylvania, and other lines entering New England.

The complaint is alleged discrimination in lumber rates from Wilmington to Boston and other Northern points, where the preference is said to be given to Norfolk as a shipping point. The hearing was continued and will last several days.

The commission yesterday concluded the hearing in the case of the Wilmington, N. C., Tariff Association against various Western roads. The complaint is of discriminating freight rates from Chicago and other Western points in favor of Norfolk. The commission has set July 10th for oral arguments.

SALEM FEMALE COLLEGE.

Commencement Closed—Dr. Stagg's Address—Diplomas Presented.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WINSTON, N. C., May 25.—Salem Female College Commencement closed to-day. A cable message and letters of greeting were read from Principal Clewell and Bishop Rondthaler, who are in Herrnhut, Germany, attending the general Moravian Synod.

The literary address by Rev. Dr. Stagg, of Charlotte, was one of the most beautiful orations ever heard in the twin city. It glowed and sparkled throughout with bright and happy allusions, with good and timely advice, and not infrequently with flashes of classical oratorical eloquence. His subject was; "The Conquest of Fear is the basis of all Scientific Progress and the Cultivation of Love is the Emancipation of Man.

Diplomas were presented to 67 graduates as follows: Forty in the Academic department, three post-graduates, eight in book-keeping, seven in stenography, two in instrumental music, one in vocal music, and seven in elocution.

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BRYAN'S ADDRESS IN ST. LOUIS, MO.

Great Gathering at the Mammoth Democratic Anti-Trust Banquet.

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The Address of Welcome—Hon. Wm. J. Bryan's Denunciation of Trusts and Monopolies and Their Enormous Influence.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ST. LOUIS, MO., May 25.—Promptly at 6.45 this evening the caterer's direction bell rang, the band struck up "The Stars and Stripes Forever," an army of waiters ladened with viands appeared and the mammoth Democratic Anti-Trust Banquet was on, while the 1,445 banquetters seated at the tables broke into a tremendous cheer, rising in a body and waving the small hand flags that had been provided at each cover. The table of honor was placed on a raised platform at the north side of the arena, and at it were seated Hon. W. J. Bryan, ex-Gov. Jno. P. Altgeld, O. P. Belmont, M. C. Wetmore, H. B. Hawes (president of the Jefferson Club, under whose auspices the dinner was given), Hon. Champ Clark, Hon. David A. de Armond and a number of other prominent Democrats.

The coliseum was decorated throughout with flags and in the centre of these was fixed a large silver shield.

The dinner was concluded at 8 o'clock. It was strictly a love feast. By the time the tables were cleared the five thousand seats of the amphitheatre were filled with spectators representing the society of St. Louis, and the speaking began. The first speaker of the evening was Harry B. Hawes, president of the Jefferson Club, who delivered the address of welcome. Mr. Hawes said, in part:

"It was not intended that this dinner should be merely the means of affording entertainment, but it was believed by its promoters that the serious discussions to be held to-night will be the means of crystallizing public sentiment against the encroachment upon the liberties of the people of the giant monopolies and trusts. It is not sought or desired to push to the back-ground the vital issues of 1896, nor to lessen in any particular the fight to be made upon the greatest of all trusts—the money trust—which, greater than all, is more dangerous than all, and by its existence renders possible many combinations of wealth, that without it could not survive. The battle line must be drawn sharp and clear with Democracy on one hand and the trusts and the monopolies on the other."

President Hawes was followed by Hon. Champ Clark, of Missouri, who presented the State and district banners in the name of the State committee.

Mr. Bryan spoke as follows:

"An actor, who visited Nebraska recently, upon learning from a Republican that confidence had been restored, remarked that he had examined Webster's dictionary to learn what "confidence" meant, and found confidence defined as "trust," and then he understood that confidence had been really restored.

"More trusts have been formed during the past two years than existed at the beginning of the present administration and the nominal capitalization of the trusts now in existence approaches, if it does not equal in amount, the world's total supply of gold and silver.

"The influence of these trusts has become so enormous that the people, without respect to party, are asking themselves how the evil can be remedied.

"The purpose of the trusts is to control the product of some article of merchandise and the methods employed are, first, the union of all individual factories under one management or in one corporation; and second, the crushing out of new rivals. A monopoly, when once complete, not only dictates terms to those who buy the product, but it also dictates terms to those who sell the raw material and to those who furnish the labor. If the trusts are permitted to continue we shall find an industrial aristocracy growing up in the United States which will prove as destructive of our ideals as a landed aristocracy would.

The principle of monopoly is incompatible with our institutions. Man's necessity compels him to become a purchaser, and where there is but one seller the purchaser is completely at the mercy of the seller. Where there is competition between producers, the purchaser is sure to obtain what he wants at a reasonable price. When competition is eliminated the price is controlled not by reason but by the greed of the one who possesses the monopoly.

"It has been said that the power to tax is a power to destroy. A monopoly possesses the power to tax; it can levy such assessments as it will upon the purchaser and we can no more afford to permit such powers to be exercised by private individuals than we could afford to authorize a private individual to use the machinery of taxation in order to enrich himself at the expense of his fellows. The government would be guilty of gross neglect if it permitted an individual to secure a monopoly, even without legislative assistance; but it is still more culpable if by legislative act it furnishes the means by which a monopoly is secured. The corporation is the means now employed by those who hope to secure a monopoly. Since the corporation is a fictitious person, created by law, the power that created can regulate and restrain or annihilate. To say that the government is impotent to prevent the organization of trusts is to say that it has called into existence a fictitious person, and that the fictitious person created has become greater than the creator.

"One of the difficulties which has been encountered in opposing trusts is that the trust hides behind the Federal constitution when attacked by State legislation, and shields itself behind its State charter when attacked in the Federal courts. No remedy will be complete that is not co-extensive with the Federal government. If the extinguishment of the trusts is left to State legislation, the public at large will be victimized as long as a single State will furnish a robber's roost, where spoils collected in other States can be divided.

"Just now people are startled by the principle of monopoly as it manifests itself in the industrial trust, and well may they be selected. The principle, however, is the same as that which manifests itself in the effort of the national bankers that secure a monopoly of the issue of paper money.

"The greenback is a rival of the bank note, and its presence is a constant menace to the banks of issue. Some who recognize the evils that flow from a soap trust, seem indifferent to the dangers that attend the formation of a paper money trust.

"The principle of monopolies not only lies at the foundation of the attempt to destroy the greenbacks, but it is the controlling principle that underlies the crusade against silver as a standard money. Between 1850 and 1860, when the production of gold was increasing and the production of silver was small, three nations demonetized gold and gave to silver a monopoly of mint privileges. Early in the seventies the finances became alarmed at the increase in the production of silver and conspired to destroy silver as a standard money and give a monopoly to gold, the production of which at that time was stationary. The standard money trust is not only the parent trust, but is in the hands of foreigners.

O. P. Belmont, of New York, declared for Bryan for President, and vigorously attacked trusts."

SOUTHERN ASSEMBLY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Resolution Condemning Lynching Adopted. Reports On Overtures and Other Matters.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RICHMOND, May 25.—At the morning session of the Presbyterian General Assembly the following, offered by Dr. Kerr, of this city, was docketed for further discussion:

"The General Assembly takes occasion to express its strongest condemnation of the lawless spirit abroad in the land, manifesting itself in many ways, but notably in scenes of mob violence and the taking of human life in cases of supposed or proven crime, without due process of law, involving the awful danger of inflicting death upon an innocent person while the real criminal goes free; tending also to cheapen human life, to unsettle the social order, and to weaken or destroy that reverence for law and constituted authority which the Scriptures require all to uphold.

"We, therefore, urge all our people and ministers, in all scriptural ways, to do their utmost toward cultivating and maintaining that order and reverence for authority which are enjoined by the word of God."

The standing committee on publication recommended approval of publication of the report, which was done.

The report on the records of the Synod of Texas was very humorously presented and criticised by Chairman Craig. The report created much laughter; but at its close Mr. Weaver, of Texas, moved that it should be re-committed, as contrary to the dignity of the body. It was submitted, he said, in a spirit of clownishness, such as ought not to be permitted to creep into the report of a body of the dignity of the General Assembly. The motion was voted down, being supported only by Mr. Weaver and four other members. The report was then adopted, after being amended in some few particulars.

The Assembly adopted the recommendation of the committee on overtures, that in case of emergency the moderator can call a meeting of a presbytery without the concurrence of two ministers or two elders.

The reply of the committee to the overtures from the Presbytery of Athens, that there is no warrant for the observance of Christmas and Easter as holy days, was adopted unanimously.

The Assembly concurred in the recommendation of the committee that alternates may take the places of principals, or vice versa, after a church court has been constituted, and one or the other has taken part in the proceedings.

Afternoon Session.

The afternoon session of the Assembly was occupied with further consideration of the report of the committee on overtures.

The Assembly refused to concur in the recommendation that the reports on statistics and systematic beneficence should embrace the same amounts.

The recommendation that in view of former deliverances on the subject the Assembly should not issue a pastoral on the subject of dancing, card-playing and theatre-going, and the growth of ungodliness, was met with an amendment, proposed by Mr. Auld, of Florida. He cited cases where "ruin and trouble" had come as a result of dancing, and he urged the Assembly to issue a new address on the subject, in answer to the overtures of Fayetteville Presbytery.

After a long debate the pending question was called, and Mr. Auld's substitute was adopted.

A further motion was offered to amend the amendment in accordance with the suggestions of Mr. Price, so as to include strictures upon the neglect of private prayer and public worship, and the patronage of the Sunday newspapers, but this was declared to be out of order by the moderator.

Dr. Kerr's lynching resolution was adopted, after being amended by the addition of the following words: "While expressing our abhorrence of the crimes which have led to these irregularities."

A. M. E. CONFERENCE.

Lynching Denounced—Disapproval of a Member's Remarks That Raping is As Bad As Lynching.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, May 25.—The New York conference of the A. M. E. church finished its session to-day. Many strong speeches were made denouncing lynching, but H. C. C. Astwood, former minister to San Domingo, evoked some expression of disapproval by admitting that he had been quoted correctly in a newspaper recently as having said that lynching was no worse than the crime of rape. He added: "If I am to be unfrocked, let that come. I believe that raping is as bad as lynching. I would rather defend a woman than a criminal. I, for one, do not stand up for murder."

The report of the committee was, however, unanimously adopted and it strongly urged the necessity of formulating a plan whereby lynching should be done away with.

TWO LIVES LOST.

Fire in a Lodging House in New York City. Woman Fatally Burned.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, May 25.—Two persons perished in a fire that destroyed a lodging house in West Forty-seventh street early to-day. The man was known by the name of Thompson. The other victim was a negress, who was killed by leaping from the top story of the building.

Mrs. John Rosthberg, 84 years of age, was fatally burned while trying to escape from a burning tenement at Rivington and Pitt streets.

A charter has been granted to the United States Tobacco Company, Richmond, Va., the object of which is to engage in and carry on the business of buying, re-handling, selling and shipping leaf tobacco in all its various forms. The capital stock of the company is to be not less than $125,000 nor more than $300,000, to be divided into shares of $100 each.

AFFAIRS IN THE SAMOAN ISLANDS.

Arrival of the Commissioners of the Three Powers at the Capital.

HELD THEIR FIRST SITTING.

Nothing Disclosed of Their Deliberations. Will Uphold Action of Admiral Kautz. Germans Preparing Claims for Compensation.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

APIA, May 17, via Auckland, N. Z., May 25.—The Samoan Commission, consisting of Bartlett Tripp, former United States Minister to Austria-Hungary; Baron Speck von Sternberg, representing Germany, and C. N. Elliott, C. B., of the British embassy at Washington, representing Great Britain, arrived here on the 13th. The first sitting took place on May 16th. The commissioners were engaged all that morning in conferring with the Chief Justice, William L. Chambers. Nothing was disclosed regarding the deliberations, but it is reported that they will uphold the action of Admiral Kautz, the American naval commissioner.

Mataafa sent the commissioners a letter of welcome, and expressed hope that they would satisfactorily end the troubles in Samoa. It is understood Mataafa will obey the unanimous order of the commission, though it is doubtful whether he will order his followers to disarm, unless the Malietoans are first disarmed.

Germans Preparing Claims.

The Germans are preparing compensation claims. It is understood one German firm claims $60,000, and that other German subjects claim $20,000.

Replying to questions submitted to him by a correspondent of the Associated Press, Mataafa said it was the head chiefs, and not himself, who began the war; adding that they did so because they were angered at power being taken from them by violence.

Mataafa claimed he had upheld the treaty, and said his orders throughout were not to fire upon the Europeans; but for this order the whole party of blue-jackets could several times have been shot down by large bodies of natives concealed in the brush.

No Report to State Department.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—The American member of the Samoan commission—Bartlett Tripp—did not make any report by cable to the State Department to-day, and all of the information of the movements of the commission came from the naval cablegram and the press dispatches. Naturally, the officials were ratifiedg to note that there had been no fresh outbreak preceding the arrival of the commission, and from what is reported of the conditions at Apia they are convinced that the crisis has passed and that the commission will have but little difficulty in securing the complete restoration of peace. It is realized that it will be no easy task to provide permanently for the administration of the affairs of the island, however, and it is possible that this portion of the work will be passed over for the time, and remain for adjustment when the commissioners return to the United States.

Admiral Kautz will return to the United States with the Philadelphia. The flagship will be replaced at Apia by the cruiser Newark, which is as formidable in every respect as the Philadelphia, and having been recently renovated, is in shape for long service. She was started for Apia about six weeks ago from New York, making her way around South America.

INSURANCE MEN IN COUNCIL.

Second Day's Session of the Southeastern Tariff Association—Questions Discussed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, May 25.—The feature of the second day's session of the Southeastern Tariff Association at Old Point was the unanimous refusal by the members to endorse the proposition of President Gay that the universal mercantile schedule be used by insurance companies in future. The President made an earnest argument in behalf of his recommendation. The subject precipitated a lively discussion. It was held that the universal system of rating is the only really scientific method yet discovered. Its classes and graduations cover the different classes of rates thoroughly, the scale of rates varying with location of buildings and with minute detail regarding the character of their contents. Nearly all the members who spoke in praise of the schedule, however, declared it was not the system at present needed by the Southeastern Association.

Insurance commissioner of North Carolina, Jas. R. Young, addressed the association, explaining the Willard and Craig laws of his State.

At the afternoon and evening sessions the New Orleans compact matter was taken up. It involves the compensation of agents, and is one of the most important subjects before the body. This discussion will extend into to morrow's session.

TRADE WITH JAMAICA.

Action Taken by the British Government Looking to Reciprocity.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

KINGSTON, JA., May 25.—The Governor of Jamiaca, Sir August W. L. Hemming, has received instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, to sent two delegates from the legislature to Washington, there to meet delegates from London, for the purpose of conferring with the State Department on the subject of Jamaica's tariff and reciprocity with the United States.

This announcement has considerably allayed public anxiety on the subject of the recent tariff trouble.

Assistant Secretary Spaulding has decided that imported caps for bottles to be used in the exportation of whiskey must pay customs duty, except where the caps are imported for transmission to a bonded manufacturing warehouse where the whiskey is bottled and prepared for exportation.

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SITUATION IN THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

The Peace Commissioners Left Manila. The Fighting at San Fernando—Advices From General Otis.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, May 25.—The Filipino Commissioners left here by special train to-day. They will be escorted to their lines under the flag of truce. It is expected they will return soon.

President Gonzaga, of the Philippine Commission, previous to his departure, said: "We greatly appreciate the courtesy shown us. We have spent some time with your commissioners, incidentally considering the American constitution. Its principles impress us profoundly. The plan of government offered the Philippines seems, in theory, a good colonial system. But why should a nation with your constitution seek to make a colony of a distant people who have been so long fighting against Spain to secure the same rights your constitution gives? You fought the same battle in America when you fought against England."

In the fighting at San Fernando fifty Filipinos were killed and many wounded. The Americans had two men killed and twelve wounded.

Advices from Gen. Otis.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—General Otis has forwarded the following dispatch to the War Department:

"On the 23d instant the Third infantry, returning to Baliag from San Miguel, were attacked morning, noon and evening by a large force of the enemy, suffering few casualties—two men killed and thirteen wounded. The enemy was repulsed, leaving on the field sixteen killed, a large number of wounded and prisoners. Yesterday the enemy appeared in the vicinity of San Fernando and were attacked by the Kansas and Montana regiments, which suffered slight loss. The enemy was driven through the rice fields, leaving fifty dead, thirty-eight wounded and twenty-eight prisoners. Fifty rifles and other property were captured. Their retreat through the swamp land saved them from destruction. Lawton is returning, leaving with MacArthur on the front regular troops to replace volunteers."

U. S. CRUISER PRAIRIE.

Bound for Washington, D. C., With N. C. Naval Reserves.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—The cruiser Prarie, which is exercising the naval militia of the different States, has put into Hampton Roads with the Naval Reserves of North Carolina, for the purpose of having two day's practice with sub-caliber guns. The sea was too rough to permit this practice outside and it was found necessary to bring the boat into smooth water. At the conclusion of the practice in Chesapeake bay the Prairie will take the North Carolina reserves out to sea again and land them at Wilmington. The Prairie is now bound for Washington, D. C.

DEWEY TESTIMONIAL.

President McKinley Makes a Contribution to the Home Fund.

By Telegrapn to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—The acting secretary to the President to-day called upon Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Vanderlip, chairman of the Dewey home fund and placed in his hands a check from the President, constituting Mr. McKinley's contribution to the fund. In doing so Mr. Cortelyou conveyed to Mr. Vanderlip the expression of the President's interest in the undertaking and his pleasure in contributing with the people to this testimonial to Admiral Dewey.

ELECTIONS IN VIRGINIA.

For County Officers—Democrats Successful As a Rule.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RICHMOND, VA., May 25.—Elections for county officers were held in all the counties in Virginia to day, and some of the towns and cities also voted for one or more municipal officers. In many counties the Democrats had no opposition; in others party lines were not strictly drawn, and the vote as a rule was very light. As a rule, also, where there were contests the Democrats were successful, but not enough interest generally was taken in the election to give it any significance.

RIPE FOR BLOODSHED.

The Trouble With Whitecaps at Griffin, Georgia—Negroes Leaving.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

GRIFFIN, GA., May 25.—The negro population of South Griffin is fast thinning out. More than a dozen families left to-day in response to warnings from the "Labor Union Band," and many influential white men have also been warned.

The law-abiding citizens have now taken a hand in the controversy and promise to make it a fight to the finish if the whitecaps do not quickly give way to law and order. To-night the situation is ripe for bloodshed.

NEGRO RAVISHER.

Sentenced to Twenty Years Imprisonment for Attempt at Criminal Assault.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATHENS, GA., May 25.—Charles Colquitt, negro, who attempted to ravish Eugenia Dooley, white, last Sunday night at High Shoals, was tried to-day by Judge Russell at Watkinsville. Colquitt entered a plea of guilty, and was sentenced to a term of twenty years in the penitentiary. This is the maximum penalty for an unaccomplished attempt at criminal assault upon a woman under the Georgia law.

TEXAS LEGISLATURE.

The Anti-Trust Bill Has Been Signed by Governor Sayers,

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

AUSTIN, TEXAS, May 25.—Governor Sayers to-day signed the anti-trust bill passed by the present session of the Legislature. Governor Sayers will likely ask the proposed anti-trust convention to adopt this bill and have it enacted into a law by all Southern States.

Norfolk has been chosen as the next place for the annual meeting of the National Association of Local Freight Agents. There will be about 800 delegates in attendance from all over the United States and Canada, and the session will convene June 18th and continue three days.

DEMOCRATIC CONFERENCE.

Meeting of Members of the National Committee—Plans for the Presidential Campaign Considered.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ST. LOUIS, May 25.—When the conference of members of the Democratic National Committee adjourned this afternoon, it had taken no action regarding the policy of the party in the coming Presidential campaign, and planks for the platform were not discussed. The meeting from first to last was one of discussion regarding methods of work for next year and the ways and means by which this work could best be accomplished. The matters of "anti-trust," "anti-imperialism" and silver were not touched upon.

The next meeting of the conference will probably be held in Chicago, on July 20, and Chairman Jones, of the national committee has been asked to call a formal meeting for that date. It is expected that at this meeting definite action will be taken and the question of what is to be the rallying cry of the Democracy in the fall of 1899 will be determined.

Those present at the meeting to-day were Henry D. Clayton, of Alabama, who acted as proxy for Committeeman Tomlinson, of that State; Thos. C. McRae, of Arkansas; T. J. O'Donnell, proxy for Wilson Adair, of Colorado; J. K. Ohl, proxy for Clark Howell, of Georgia; Alex. Troup, Connecticut; Thos. Gahan, Illinois; John G. Shanklin, Indiana; C. A. Walsh, Iowa; I. G. Johnson, Kansas; U. Woodson, Kentucky; W. E. Sullivan, Mississippi; W. J. Stone, Missouri; W. V. Thompson, Nebraska; Josephus Daniels, North Carolina; J. M. Guffy, Pennsylvania; J. M. Head, Tennessee; J. G. Dudley, Texas; P. J. Otey, Virginia; John T. McGraw, West Virginia; W. N. Holliday, Wyoming; Thomas Marcum, Indian Territory.

Mr. Bryan acted as proxy for J. V. Woods, of South Dakota, during the time that he was in the meeting.

Gov. Stone stated the object of the meeting as set out in the call. He was elected chairman. Mr. Walsh was in his place as secretary. Twenty-three States were represented.

After the committee had been in session an hour, Mr. Bryan was introduced, and made a short address, urging the members to look closely after the organizations in their States, and suggesting that strong efforts be made to provide a campaign fund for the coming campaign.

A committee of five on press matters was appointed, its members being Howell of Georgia; Daniels of North Carolina; Troup of Conn.; Woodson of Kentucky and Stone of Missouri.

Mr. Bryan said at the conclusion of the conference: "I am satisfied that great good has come from this meeting and that Democracy will be in a better position to make the fight in the coming election than it has ever been. It was not designed that any action should be taken at this meeting. What action will be taken by the Democracy regarding its platform, it is too early to discuss, but I am sure of one thing, and that is that silver will not be relegated out of sight. It cannot be. It is an issue that has come to stay and the people will not allow it to be put in the back-ground.

NAVAL RESERVES.

A Second Division Organized at Elizabeth City, North Carolina.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., May 25.—The second division of North Carolina Naval Reserves was organized to-night at Elizabeth City with forty men and the following officers: C. R. Merrill, captain; F. H. Shipp, first lieutenant; F. M. Dexter, ensign; Geo. M. Scott, Jr., treasurer; George Jordan, secretary.

BASE BALL BULLETIN.

Scores of the Games Played by the Clubs Yesterday.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WAHINOTON, May 25.—Cincinnati, 1; Boston, 3.
Louisville, 7; New York, 0.
Chicago, 5; Washington, 11.
Pittsburg, 5; Philadelphia 9, (ten innings.)
Cleveland, 8; Baltimore, 6.
St Louis, 1; Brooklyn, 8.

PEACE CONFERENCE.

Committee on the Laws of Warfare Begin Consideration of the Subject.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

THE HAGUE, May 25.—Both sections of the committee on the laws of warfare of the peace conference met separately to-day and began the examination of the subjects submitted to them. Both sections met subsequently and discussed the question of competence as regards the scheme for the revision of the Geneva convention. No decision was reached.

Further advices from Riga, capital of the Baltic province of Livonia, say that the military in suppressing the rioting between Lettis hand Lithunian workmen at that place on Saturday last, killed twelve persons and wounded fifty.

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LYNCHING IN TEXAS.

Three White Men Taken From Their Home and Hanged by Masked Men.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HOUSTON, TEX., May 25.—Three white men—James Humphrey and his two sons—were lynched last night near the village of Aley, in Henderson county. Several months ago Constable Melton, of the Aley precinct, was murdered and the murderer escaped, it is said, through the assistance of the Humphreys. Last night a mob of thirteen masked men appeared at the Humphrey homestead and called the father and his two sons out. They permitted them to see the women of the family, whom they informed in a spirit of charity that the men were to be taken to Malakoff, a few miles distant, before a justice of the peace and perhaps to the county jail at Athens. This morning the bodies of the three men were found hanging from the limb of an oak tree, three miles from the Humphrey farm.

WARM WIRELETS.

A New York dispatch says: The kidnapped child, Marion Clark, is still missing. The rewards offered now amount to $4,500.

Emperor Francis Joseph received "Mark Twain" (Samuel L. Clemens) in special audience at Vienna, yesterday afternoon.

Queen Victoria has telegraphed to the U. S. Ambassador, Mr. Jos. H. Choate, thanking President McKinley in warm terms for his birthday congratulations.

The Ninth immune infantry regiment, colored, was mustered out yesterday at Camp Meade. The regiment came to Camp Meade from Cuba about the middle of April.

Senor Don Emilio Castelar, the distinguished Republican orator and statesman of Spain, who has been suffering from an attack of pulmonary catarrh, is dead.

Ex Governor Harrison Reed died yesterday at the residence of his son, in South Jacksonville, in the eighty-sixth year of his age. He was born in Middlesex county, Mass., in 1813.

A Chinese imperial edict has been issued, giving assent to the building of the Tien-Tsin Chin-Keang railroad. This completes the work of Baron von Heyking, the retiring German minister to China.

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